

BLM-Utah Price



Recreation Insider

Upcoming Volunteer Projects

A Fall 2015 volunteer project list will be sent out soon.

For more information or if you are interested in volunteering, contact Jaydon Mead at the BLM Price Field Office.

Upcoming Meetings

June and July Meetings have been cancelled.

August 12, 2015

Recreation planning meeting will be held at the BLM Price Field Office at 5:30 p.m.

Anyone interested in outdoor recreation on BLM-managed land in Carbon and Emery Counties is welcome to attend.

If you would like to be added to our email list, please contact Jaydon Mead at the Price Field Office.

Castle County Trails Grand Opening

"After nearly 15 years, hundreds of hours, hundreds of people, and a lot of hope, the Carbon County Trail System became a reality," said Castle Country OHV Association (CCOHVA) member Terry Sanslow.

Carbon County, local OHV clubs and BLM-Utah worked side by side to host the Carbon County

Trail System Grand Opening on May 16, 2015. More than 150 people participated in the grand opening ceremony and trail rides throughout the weekend. BLM Price Field Office employees were on site sharing information about trails and Tread Lightly's "Respected Access is Open Access!" campaign.

The 250-mile trail system is now open for mountain biking, OHV riding, equestrian use, hiking, camping and fishing. For your safety, please remember to adhere to all signs, recreate within your ability level and bring a friend.

-Jaydon Mead



Above: Josh Winkler and Jaydon Mead offer area information to visitors. Left: The new trailhead kiosk was revealed during the ceremony. Arnold Cooper, CCOHVA member, and Ahmed Mohsen, BLM Price Field Office Manager, did the honors.

Pictures by
Arthur Pahl and Jaydon Mead

River Manager of the Year Award



Above: River Rangers: Mick Krussow, Jim Wright, Katie Byrd, Ryan Hygon and David Kelly.
Right: RMS Award.

Picture by Donald Kalke



On May 4, 2015, Price Field Office river team members Mick Krussow, Jim Wright, Dave Kelly, Ryan Hygon, Katie Byrd, and Matt Blocker, were honored with the 2015 "River Manager of the Year Award" at a River Management Society (RMS) event in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

They received the award for their leadership in protecting the natural, cultural, and recreational resources along the Green River through Desolation Gray Canyons, one of the most remote areas in the lower 48 states.

They work to enhance recreational experiences for users while striving to instill appreciation for the canyon and its resources. During the 2014 river season, the team hosted an RMS float through the canyon with a BLM film crew. They produced a high-quality video that will be used to educate visitors on the river permit system and stipulations.

The Price Field Office is very proud of the river team and would like to congratulate them on this accomplishment.

-Amy Adams
Recreation Assistant



#ULA in the Swell

"This is your land! What we put into it, your children will get out of it!" AnnDee Mead, "Mega-Volunteer" Project Lead, Price Field Office.

On May 13, 2015 the BLM Price Field Office and Utah State University Eastern hosted an unprecedented volunteer event. Dubbed the "Mega Volunteer Project," more than 300 Utah Leadership Academy students from a dozen universities in Utah worked in

teams to give back and serve in the San Rafael Swell.

Students were shuttled to seven locations in the Swell to work side by side with BLM specialists. Projects included painting picnic tables at Cedar Mountain Recreation Area, installing ATV cattle guards to enhance the Chimney Rock Trail System, delineating campsites, protecting the endangered San Rafael Cactus, cleaning up and maintaining

sites in Buckhorn Draw and maintaining trails at the Cleveland-Lloyd Dinosaur Quarry. While hard at work, students learned about responsible recreation use, endangered species, geology, archeology and other resources.

Using the #ULAintheSwell, students shared their experiences on Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook.

-AnnDee Mead



Thank you to all of the BLM Employees, USU Eastern employees and students who made this project a success.

Pictures by Amanda Harrington, Anita Jones, Amy Adams, Connie Leschin, Mike Leschin, Jaydon Mead, Becky Andres, Amber Koski, Michael Wolfe, Matt Blocker, Don Stephens, Ahmed Mohsen, AnnDee Mead and Jeanette Shackelford



“Serving Utah Network” Members Volunteer at Little Wild Horse

Little Wild Horse Canyon, near Goblin Valley State Park, is one of the most well-known and popular hikes in the San Rafael Swell.

On April 11, students from the Utah State University Eastern chapter of the Serving Utah Network set out for an adventure filled day of hiking and volunteering in Little Wild Horse Canyon. The volunteers removed graffiti, picked up litter and improved the trail, while enjoying their public lands and encouraging other users to recreate responsibly.

For more information about this incredible hike or how to get involved, contact the BLM Price Field Office.

-AnnDee Mead



Students remove graffiti, while enjoying the beautiful Little Wild Horse Canyon.

Pictures by Terry Johnson and AnnDee Mead

Volunteers Improve Wood Hill Trailhead

Members from local mountain bike clubs, OHV groups, and the country trails committee recently volunteered with the BLM at the Wood Hill Trailhead north of Price, Utah, to help improve the local trail system. Volunteers cleaned up several party and dump sites in the area. The group hauled

out four truckloads of garbage including an old trailer.

The BLM and local clubs plan to do more cleanup projects in the future. Please remember it is illegal to dump trash on public lands. In order to keep this area clean, local law enforcement and the BLM will be doing additional

patrols. For more information about the Wood Hill Trail System or to help with future projects, please contact the BLM Price Field Office at 435-636-3600.

-Matt Blocker



Pictures above show before (left) and after (right) of one of the sites cleaned up on May 2, 2015, by locals volunteers and BLM employees.

Pictures by Terry Sanslow



CLDQ Update

The Cleveland-Lloyd Dinosaur Quarry (CLDQ) recently welcomed three summer interns. Thanks to them, CLDQ will be open for the summer Mon.-Sat. from 10 am to 5 pm and Sunday 12-5 pm.

CLDQ has been incredibly busy this spring. Many school groups ranging from preschool to college age have visited CLDQ. The Carbon High Science Club created, delivered and installed a new interpretive display as part of the "Hands on the Land" partnership.

-Michael Leschin
CLDQ Director

Still Wondering



The answer to our last edition of "Where's WINK?" is: 38D 47' 57.52" by 110D 10' 45.24". This old car showcases the heartiness of past explorers and at times how remote this area truly is. It is one of the multiple treasures you can enjoy if you go for hike, or drive in the Dry Lake area of the field office. This area can be accessed by driving south of the town of Green River on County Road 1010, approximately 18 miles. There is a sign marking the designated route heading east toward the Green River. From there, drive or hike east into the canyon to your heart's content. (Caution: the road may be sandy).

Gordon Creek Trail Maintenance



In early April, Dedicated Hunters and members from CCOHVA worked with the BLM to complete needed trail maintenance tasks on the Gordon Creek Trail. The volunteers were able to fix washed out culverts by repositioning them and installing rock gabion baskets to secure them in place. The volunteers also rehabilitated unwanted tracks, installed signs, micro blasted a large rock out of the trail, and leveled and hardened the trail where needed.

In mid-May, volunteers from CCOHVA worked with the BLM to enhance the large double culvert that was installed a few years ago. This was accomplished by building a board walk type surface across the wash, and over the top of the culverts. This feature will make this wash crossing more sustainable and safer to use.

-Jaydon Mead

Where's Wink?

In this edition of the Recreation Insider, we are spotlighting a remote area that showcases balanced rocks and the different geological features found in the Price Field Office. Where was WINK located?

Have fun and explore your natural treasures!



To participate in "Where's WINK?" send your guess to blm_ut_pr_recreation@blm.gov. The first person to correctly guess will receive a prize. Answers will be available in the next issue of the Recreation Insider. To get the scoop about this location and other interesting Price Field Office areas, ask WINK himself by calling 435-636-3659 or emailing him at jwinkler@blm.gov